Jerry Ray phone call 4/18/92

Jerry said the reason he called is because I'd asked him when be last phoned how many of Jimmy's books have been sold (he says 50,000) and because he thinks that when he was talking about Oliver Stone I thought he was talking about Oliver Patterson. He had said that Stone was in touch with him because he plans a movie on Jimmy in a few years. Patterson, who had been an FBI informer and became one for me, is dead. Jerry thinks he drank himself to dead, Vodka and Screwdrivers.

John Ray, a federal prisoner, is in a state jail in suburban St. Louis. He is happy because, having lost one foot and the toes of the other to diabetis, that cell block has a real and a stationary bicycle he can use plus a walker, because he inherited a TV in that cell to which he was assigned and now is alone in it, andbecause when he does get out he'll have enough disability income to live on.

John's possible release may be delayed because there were a couple of empty pistol shells in his cell.

John says he is eating well, getting better than jail food, because the food for the federal prisoners is brought in from Denny's.

Jerry now refers to John as John the Baptist, sometimes just as The Baptist. I did not ask him why!